

Poet shirt

Patterns and Instructions

1:6 scale (designed for the articulated Ken bod)

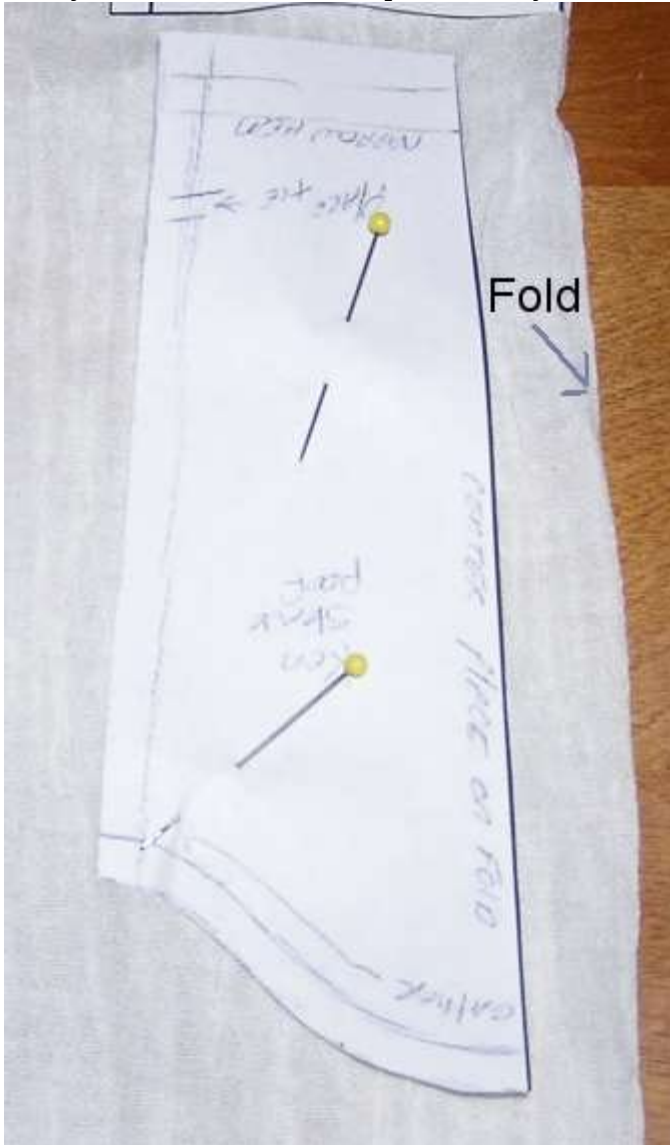
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The Pattern is at the end of the file...

SO – Patterns are... mutable. You can use this just as it is, you can lengthen it, you can make the sleeves wider or longer, you can make the front and back wider for a fuller look.... Anything you like really. I'm using the front and back 'as is' but I widened the sleeves a titch.

It's really tricky....

Fold your material, move the pattern away from the fold about ½" – pin and cut! LOL



ANYway... now that I've gotten at least some of the snark out of my system... - I'm using dark blue thread on this so you can see what I'm doing – and it's just a rough basting. No, I don't really sew that badly, I promise!

ALSO – I'm doing it the easy way. You **can** get enthused and sandwich everything within the yoke (I usually do). I'd write instructions for doing it that way – but I'm pretty sure I don't do it correctly, I am NOT a seamstress – all my work is by guess and by golly....

SO:

Step one:

With right sides together, stitch around the neckline of the yoke.



Turn it right side out (it helps to pin it in place for awhile)

Gather the top edge of the 'back'



With right sides together, sew back to 'back' edge of yoke



The only trick involved in this whole thing? – it helps to tack the front edges of the yoke together before sewing on the front – like so:

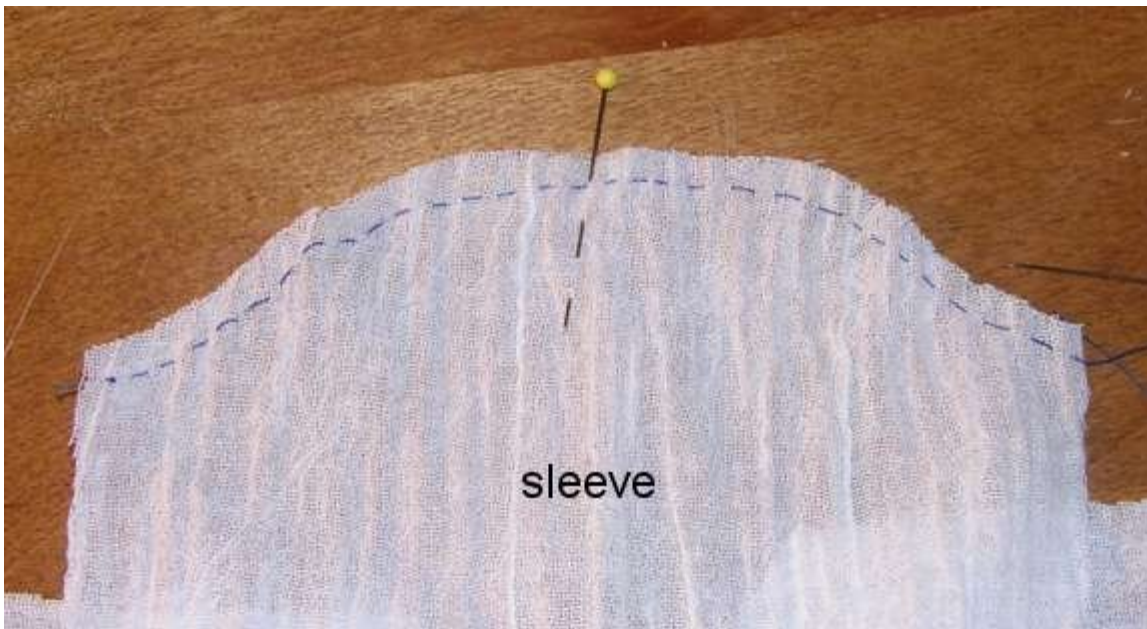


Gather the front, stitch it to the 'front' edge of the yoke:



Hem the sleeves.

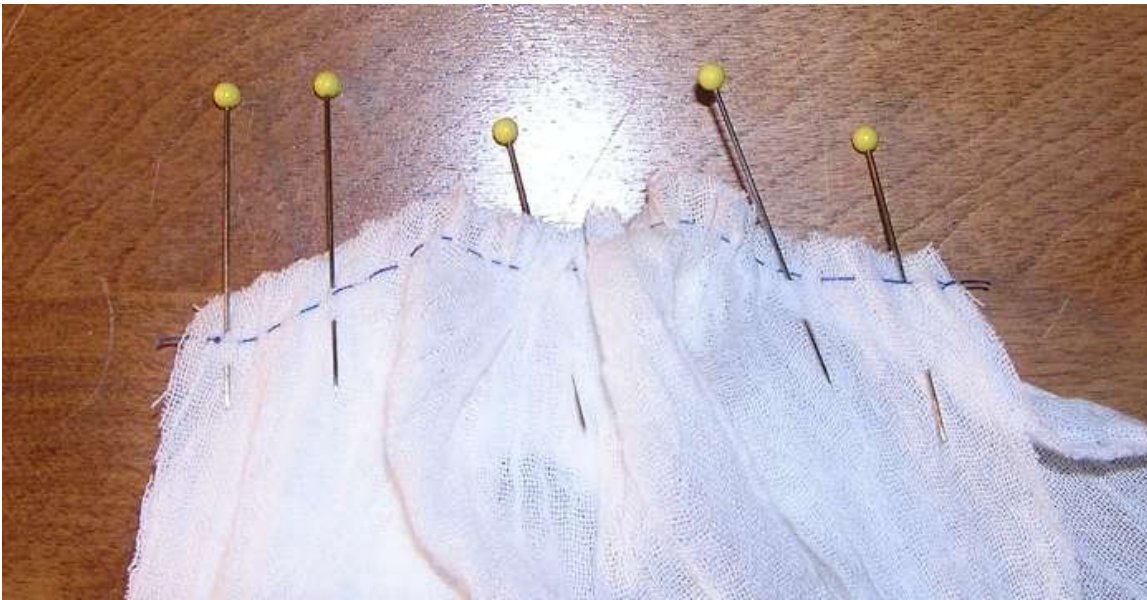
Run a gathering stitch along the top edge of the sleeve, mark the center (I used a pin)



With right sides together, pin the center of the sleeve, to the center of the armscythe (armhole, whatever, right about here, in other words.:



Pin the edges of the sleeves to the corners of the armscythe (it'll make sense when you're there, I promise), THEN pull the gathering thread, pin it the rest of the way together, and stitch:



Straighten it all out, and with right sides together – stick along arm and side seams. (where it's pinned, I didn't bother sewing it)



Hem the bottom and you're done! – WOOT!

Well... not really – thread a needle with embroidery thread or something of a similar weight, knot it, pull it through about where that pin is near the edge of the sleeve. Do it again in the same place – POOF ties for your sleeves.

It should look about like this when it's all said and done:



Yes, that's a Tonner Matt that the shirt is pictured on, no, I didn't need one in 1:6 so I didn't finish the one I was using for the instructions, yes, the Matt pattern is also down here, right under the Ken pattern, yes, all the bits are carefully marked.

You can do a LOT with this little pattern. You can embroider purties on the yoke, you can give it cuffs instead of the ruffle-and-ties look – it looks great under a tunic or vest... (oh, this particular pattern will also work for your 1:6 girls)



Ready for the Patterns?

